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Accordingly, by direction of the Steamboat Captains' and Owners' Exchange, instructions were issued as recommended.

This action simplified the work, and, with the aid given by the harbor police on the levee in keeping the men in order, the inspectors

experienced no difficulty in performing their duties.

Number of steamboats inspected, 26; number of times inspected, 133; number of vaccinations, 1,410; number of certificates issued, including those given to persons protected by previous vaccinations (estimated), 3,000.

According to the Public Health Reports of the Service of May 8, 1896, smallpox exists in 12 States, and it has prevailed more or less extensively here for over a year past, but with the river steamboats manned with vaccinated crews, warm weather, and the prospect of the board of health securing adequate financial aid from the new city council, it is believed that smallpox will soon be under control, and the general sanitary condition of the city greatly improved.

Very respectfully,

HENRY W. SAWTELLE, Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Arrival of ship Mozambique at New York Quarantine—Ten cases of yellow fever en route.

QUARANTINE, STATEN ISLAND, May 18, 1896.

SIR: I transmit the following information regarding the ship Mozambique, which arrived at this port on May 16. The said vessel reached Rio de Janeiro on February 15, from Hull, England. No sickness occurred until March 19; a sailor on that day was taken ashore with yellow fever; he had two or three days previously visited the city, and it is supposed that the disease was contracted at that time. Between the above date (March 19) and March 25 four other cases of yellow fever were removed from the ship to the city hospital. It is reported that the ship was then disinfected and allowed to leave for this port on March On the following day, March 29, the disease again appeared and other cases followed until April 11. During this period 10 were ill with yellow fever, of whom 5 died and were buried at sea. One of the convalescents committed suicide on May 14. He had during his convalescence shown considerable evidence of cerebral trouble, although he had reported for duty.

The ship has been thoroughly disinfected and will be released on Thursday, May 21, provided all are well on board at that time. The above facts will appear in my report to you on next Thursday. I send

the above, as you may desire the information sooner.

Respectfully,

A. H. DOTY, Health Officer, Port of New York.

Quarantine proclamation by the Governor of Texas.

Be it known that I, Charles A. Culberson, governor of the State of Texas, by authority invested in me by the laws of this State, do hereby declare that quarantine shall be established on the Gulf Coast and Rio Grande border on and after May 1, 1896, and that it shall continue until closed by proclamation.

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Said quarantine shall apply to all vessels, persons, or things coming from places infected by yellow fever, smallpox, or cholera, and all places south of 25 degrees north latitude shall be considered infected unless proof to the contrary be submitted to the State health officer, and special exemption be granted to said places; and persons from such places are prohibited from entering this State within a period of ten days.